

## Hays Prepares To Reorganize Party in South

Committee Named to Investigate Situation and Recommend Plan as Urged by Chicago Convention

Delegations To Be Pared

Aim Is to Avoid Truncated Contests and Eliminate Patronage Seekers

By Carter Field

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—A committee to investigate the situation of the Republican party in the solid South was announced today by Chairman Will H. Hays of the Republican National Committee. This is the first official step by the committee in the direction of a reorganization of the party in the South and build it up into an organization with which no white will be ashamed to be identified.

The committee just appointed will report back to the full national committee at its next meeting, on the number of delegates each Southern state should be allowed at Republican national conventions. The present plan allows four at large for each state, one for each Congressional district, and then one for each Congressional district in which the Republicans cast not less than 7,500 votes at the preceding election. One of the new plans proposed, which will be considered by the committee, is for each state to have four at large, with no delegates guaranteed for each district at all, but one or two in the case of states with less than 7,500 Republican votes.

The proposed new plan, if put into effect, would cut the Southern delegation more often than not a scandal at Republican conventions—down very sharply, but of course also would have the effect of further reducing the number of Republican delegates of New York and other heavily Democratic cities.

The committee consists of Representative C. Bascom Sloop, of Virginia; National Committeeman Earl K. Long, of Louisiana; National Committeeman R. Howell, of Nebraska, with National Chairman Hays, ex-officio chairman, and Clarence B. Miller, secretary of the national committee, ex-officio secretary.

The committee will meet soon and take up the work. It is expected that as a result of its inquiries there will be a reduction of the representation of the national committee from 300 to 200, and that efforts will be made to mitigate the troubles which have grown out of the truncated contests in the interest of this or that candidate for President, which have at different times caused much embarrassment to the national committee and to national conventions.

Action Ordered June 5

On June 5, just before the Chicago convention, the Republican National Committee unanimously adopted the following resolution, which was proposed by Henry S. Jackson, then national committeeman from the State of Georgia:

"Whereas, it is increasingly apparent that the so-called 'Solid South' is in fact on economic issues strongly inclined to the principles of the Republican party; and

"Whereas, it is obvious from the repeated contests before the national committee and other facts no less noteworthy that Republican votes in the states are not increasing in proportion to the increasing belief in Republican principles;

"Be it resolved, That the chairman of the Republican National Committee appoint a special committee of three of its members, of which the chairman and secretary are to be ex-officio members, one of whom shall be from the South, who shall very carefully and impartially study the whole political situation in the South, and also the relation to that in the North, with a view of reporting at the next meeting of the national committee, or as soon as the special committee thus appointed shall be ready, how the Republican party in the states of the South may be reorganized or constituted to make it a more effective agent for the spreading and recording of Republican principles and of electing Republican electors."

Plan Indorsed by Convention

On June 12, just before it adjourned, the Republican National Convention at Chicago adopted the following resolution, which was moved by Paul Howland, of Ohio, chairman of the committee on rules and order of business:

Resolved, That in order to effect proper and necessary changes in the present apportionment of delegates in proportion to the Republican vote actually cast at general elections throughout the various states of the Union, and in order to inspire a greater effort to elect and maintain substantial party organizations in all the states, the national committee, notwithstanding any rule heretofore adopted, hereby authorized and directed within twelve months from the date of the adjournment of this convention, to adopt a just and equitable basis of representation in future national conventions, which basis shall be set forth in the call for the next convention and be binding upon the same and all other future conventions until otherwise ordered."

Chairman Hays, in naming the committee just announced, has acted in accordance with the action of the national committee and the national convention at Chicago.

Representative Sloop, who has served in Congress for years from Virginia, is considered well fitted for the task ahead of him. He knows all sections of the South intimately. Mr. Kinsey, of Vermont, has given much attention to the Southern situation, and the same is true of Mr. Howell, of Nebraska.

Suppression of Parliament in Spain for Five Years Urged

MADRID, Jan. 30.—The Clerical newspaper El Debate, in an editorial to-day agrees with the claim of the Syndicalists that the parliamentary government of Spain has been a failure. The editorial was written by Professor Fernando Perez Bueno, of Madrid University, who suggests suppression of Parliament for a period of five years, on the ground that it has lost even the appearance of responsibility and decorum.

## Wanted to Wed Own Wife Only He Didn't Know It

Then He Spoke in His Sleep, Revealed Matrimonial Agency Secrets and Trouble Began

Special Dispatch to The Tribune

SYRACUSE, Jan. 30.—Correspondence through a matrimonial agency between a husband and his wife, the latter using an assumed name, led to the arraignment here yesterday of Asa J. Perry, a tinsmith, on charges of drunkenness, disorderly conduct and threatening his wife's life. His wife made the charges.

Mrs. Perry told City Judge Daniel Crowley that while her husband was asleep he had said that he was a member of the Gem Club, a matrimonial agency with headquarters at Waverly, N. Y., and that he was open to correspondence with marriageable young women. Mrs. Perry investigated and learned that her husband had inserted an advertisement in the club's publication. She answered the advertisement under an assumed name—and the correspondence resulted. She showed the judge a bundle of letters and several photographs she had received from her husband. When she asked for a divorce, the court sentenced him to fifteen days in jail and suspended the sentence during good behavior.

Waters Is Through With Prince, Sorry He Will Not Work

Head of Ambassador Hotels Says He Tried in Vain to Make Business Man of Titled Son-in-Law

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ATLANTIC CITY, Jan. 30.—"I'm sorry, but it is true that my titled son-in-law will not work. I'm through with him," declared G. Jason Waters, head of the Ambassador chain of hotels, tonight in an interview regarding the refusal of Prince Ludovic Pignatelli d'Aragona to report any longer to his position in New York.

"I tried to make him an American business man, but my efforts have been in vain," continued Mr. Waters. "He worked one week and then retired to the home in Long Island which I had given my daughter at the time of her marriage."

"I do not know what the prince will do next. He does not seem able to grasp business methods. After a number of trials in various lines I gave him a position with the Ambassador Hotel in New York."

"It was not a menial position, as I see is reported in some newspapers. It was a good job, with a good chance to go ahead. He lasted just one week. Then he beat it back to Merrick, L. I. That is his property, none mine. I gave it to her as a wedding present. I do not know what he intends to do now, but I'm through with him. In every possible way I have tried to give him a chance to make good as a business man. He does not appear to wish to know anything about business."

"All through his troubles my daughter insists in remaining with him. The two are devoted to each other; more's the pity, in my opinion, but it is the fact."

"The mother of the prince is a wealthy woman, but he never has shown inclination to live within a liberal income. It is perfectly true that he has made another failure and that he has gone to his wife's home to live, and so far as I am concerned, he will hereafter be obliged to look after himself."

Home of Pearce's Mother Wrecked

BEAUFORT, Jan. 30.—Cullenswood House, in Ranelagh, a Dublin suburb, was wrecked Saturday night by the military. The house was owned by the aged mother of Patrick M. Pearce, once "provisional president" of Ireland, who was assassinated after the 1916 rebellion. Previously it was used at St. Enda's College.

Lately the building had been rented out as flats, and a portion of it was occupied by a Sinn Féin club. It was the only source of income for Mrs. Pearce. One of the flats had been occupied by a Mrs. Mulcahy, but she and all the other occupants, except Mrs. Pearce, had left the building in December, owing to repeated raids during one of which a bullet fired through the front door narrowly missed Mrs. Mulcahy's baby.

The military wrecked the house with pickaxes and crowbars. It is said they were seeking Richard Mulcahy, a member of the Dail Eireann and the reputed chief of staff of the republican army.

Floor and Walls Ripped Up

The interior of the building was demolished. All the windows were smashed, except in the room occupied by Mrs. Pearce. The floors and the interior walls were ripped up, part of the roof was gone and some of the furniture had been thrown out of the windows. According to Mrs. Pearce, the Black and Tans who wrecked the house went away grumbling because they had found nothing, and declared that they were always being sent on false trails.

Local opinion to-day seemed to be that the wrecking of the house was done in reprisal for the ambuscade at Terenure. Residents of the building were engaged to-day in removing the furniture that remained in the rooms.

Two Victims of Raids Die

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## Man Killed, 9 Police Shot in Irish Attacks

Officers Wounded in Ambuscade in Dublin Suburb; Several Persons Are Arrested After Pursuit

Sinn Féin Club Wrecked

Home of Richard Pearce's Mother Demolished During a Raid by Troops

From The Tribune's European Bureau

LONDON, Jan. 30.—One man was assassinated and nine policemen were wounded in Dublin suburbs last night. The policemen were in a lorry which was proceeding to Dublin through the suburb of Terenure just before 10 o'clock. When close to the city limits a heavy fire was opened on the lorry from both sides of the road. The policemen returned the fire with unknown effect and the lorry hastened to the police barracks. A strong force was sent out, and, after searching the neighborhood of the ambuscade, made several arrests. The attacking force is believed to have been unusually large on account of the volume of fire. Two of the wounded policemen, one of them an officer, are in a serious condition. There were thirteen policemen in the lorry.

Earlier in the evening a dairyman was shot to death by two men in a secluded road in the suburb of Rathmines, adjoining Terenure. His assassination is believed to have been due to his alleged intimacy with the police, as was the case with the porter of a hotel who was shot earlier in the day.

On account of the increased activity of extremists in Dublin and its vicinity it is feared that rigorous restrictions, similar to those enforced in Cork, will be imposed on the capital.

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recently at Stranoodan, County Monaghan, when his comrades were killed, also died in a hospital to-day.

A police patrol was fired on near Virginia, County Cavan, last night. The police returned the fire and three of the attacking party were seen to fall.

Hunting Meetings Barred

CORK, Jan. 30.—Major General Sir Edward Strickland, in command of the troops, in a proclamation to-day forbids hunting, point-to-point races and coursing meetings in certain areas of the Counties Cork, Tipperary and Limerick. The commander gives as his reason that it is possible these local hunting meetings will be likely to lead to breaches of the peace and be prejudicial to the restoration of order.

AMERICA, Jan. 30.—Thomas Blake, president of the Limerick branch of the Chemists' Association, was found dead to-day near his home. He had been shot.

DUBLIN, Jan. 30.—Frank Mearns, a laborer, who had been arrested at Killfaule, Tipperary, was shot dead to-day when he tried to escape.

MacSwiney's Spiritual Adviser Gets 3 Years

Father Dominic, Convicted by Court Martial, Is Sentenced to Five Years; Tub Remitted

LONDON, Jan. 30.—Father Dominic, chaplain of the Republican Guard and spiritual adviser to the late Terrence MacSwiney, Lord Mayor of Cork, convicted by a Dublin court martial early in January, has been sentenced to five years' imprisonment, of which two years are remitted.

Father Dominic was arrested in December when two monasteries were raided by the military and police in Dublin. The charges against him were based on certain passages in a notebook and a letter, alleged to have been written by him or to have been in his possession.

He maintained that the passages in the notebook were dictated to him by Lord Mayor MacSwiney, military commander of the anti-Sinn Féin proportions which are officially expected. The continued delay in the publication of the Strickland report (on the Cork burning) is a serious matter for government prestige. General Strickland is notoriously straightforward and honest, and if his conclusions are held back they will inevitably be regarded as unfavorable to the present regime, while the findings of the labor board are bound to gain weight whether they are entitled to it or not.

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## Labor Party Aims To Arouse English On Irish Situation

London Times Declares That Policy of Coercion in Effect for Six Months Has Failed to Alter Conditions

From The Tribune's European Bureau

LONDON, Jan. 30.—Throughout England the Labor party is holding mass meetings to arouse public opinion on the Irish situation, and while little concerning these gatherings is published in the newspapers, party leaders assert that large crowds are attending and that the speakers are getting enthusiastic responses to their appeals for the Irish.

The daily and weekly press is showing an increasing realization of the reported hopelessness of the situation. The Times says editorially:

"There has been no improvement during the last week in the situation in Ireland. It is now nearly six months since the government's policy was intensified and coercion adopted. Even though a large proportion of the accusations brought against the crown forces in Ireland may be discounted, deeds undoubtedly have been done by them in Ireland which have everlastingly disgraced the name of Britain in that country."

This paper frequently has urged the government concession of fiscal autonomy in Ireland as one of the essentials of a settlement.

The Saturday Review says: "The murder record in Ireland is worse than ever, affording little ground for Sir Hamar Greenwood's cheery prognostications. The northern Parliament is assured, but the southern seems a long way off from reaching the anti-Sinn Féin proportions which are officially expected. The continued delay in the publication of the Strickland report (on the Cork burning) is a serious matter for government prestige. General Strickland is notoriously straightforward and honest, and if his conclusions are held back they will inevitably be regarded as unfavorable to the present regime, while the findings of the labor board are bound to gain weight whether they are entitled to it or not."

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The Black Christmas, among other reforms, wrote Samuel Brull, president of the Santa Claus Association of Greater New York, "will advocate and try to enforce the complete elimination of gift-giving at Christmas time. The spirit has been manifest for the last nine years, but its actual promotion on a national scale has been interfered with on account of the late war, prohibition promoting, etc. Something new is needed now, and the black Christmas will be next."

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Margaret Anglin will speak this afternoon at the first meeting of "The Union of East and West" in the Anderson Galleries at 5 o'clock.

Ethel Barrymore, who has been seriously ill in Cincinnati for several weeks, has been brought to New York for special treatment.

An extra matinee of "Spanish Love" will be given Thursday in the Maxine Elliott Theater.

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## Wedding Party Staged By Girl Left at Altar

Bridgroom-to-Be Changes His Mind With Guests Assembled and Feast Already Spread

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PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 30.—Although the bridegroom-to-be failed to keep his engagement for the wedding and the bride-to-be and thirty guests had the wedding reception just the same. The band and the refreshments were ready and the presents were arranged for exhibition, so what was the use of calling off the celebration just because there was nothing to celebrate?

That's what Miss Camilla Lavender thought, anyway, when James Schimpf, her betrothed, left her waiting at the altar one day last week. It was too late when she received word of his change of mind, so, just like the sensible girl she is, Miss Camilla went through with the affair without him.

Further Stewart was engaged to perform the ceremony in St. Stephen's Church, and seventy invitations were sent broadcast among Camilla's friends and James's friends. The guests were all assembled, happy and expectant. But the bridegroom-to-be didn't arrive. Word came that he had been injured in an automobile accident, or something like that, and his arm broken.

Of course, Miss Camilla was indignant, but the band that had been hired for the reception had to be paid just the same, and the refreshments had to be eaten or they would go stale. So the bride-to-be gathered her bridal train in one hand and her courage in the other and went home to preside at the reception.

"Yes, the reception was a great success," said Miss Camilla to-day. "We had about thirty guests, and they enjoyed the music and the presents very much. Do I still love James? I do not. I never want to see him again. I am through with him."

Guatemala to Revise Taxes

Export Duty on Coffee To Be Removed or Greatly Reduced

From The Tribune's Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—The Minister of Guatemala, Julio Bianchi, tonight made an announcement of the plans of the Herrera government for reorganizing Guatemala's taxation system. Among other things, the export duty on coffee is to be removed or greatly reduced to encourage export trade.

"Study of Guatemala's economic condition has revealed the necessity of encouraging the republic's export trade," said Mr. Bianchi. "Loss of revenue, due to decrease in export duties, will be recovered by inaugurating an income tax similar to that in the United States."

"Details of the new taxation system are being worked out by a committee of nine citizens, headed by Minister of Finance Medrano, and including three of the most prominent bankers of Guatemala."

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